



Color Dream Coral Bells *Heuchera 'Color Dream'*

Plant Height: 12 inches

Flower Height: 18 inches

Spread: 28 inches

Spacing: 18 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Other Names: Coralbells, Alumroot

Description:

An outstanding selection perfect for adding color, texture and interest to shaded garden beds and borders; silver sheened, deep purple foliage are well mounded and uniform; great versatility; keep soil moist in heat of summer

Ornamental Features

Color Dream Coral Bells is primarily valued in the garden for its interestingly mounded form. It features dainty spikes of white bell-shaped flowers rising above the foliage from early to mid summer. Its attractive crinkled lobed leaves remain deep purple in color with hints of silver throughout the year.

Landscape Attributes

Color Dream Coral Bells is a dense herbaceous evergreen perennial with a mounded form. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It is a good choice for attracting hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Color Dream Coral Bells is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting



Color Dream Coral Bells foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Planting & Growing

Color Dream Coral Bells will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity extending to 18 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 28 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 18 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an evergreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant does best in partial shade to shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Color Dream Coral Bells is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers and foliage against which the thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.